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Dear Sirs

TINGGI TECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED
PCT INTERNATIONAL PATENT APPLICATION NO. PCT/SG03/00223
"FABRICATION OF SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES"

We refer to the written opinion dated 27 April 2005 and note that the terms of the written opinion are contrary to the terms of the international search report.

The same examiner in the ISR cited the same prior art, all as category "A" references. In the written opinion the same examiner has applied those cited references against all claims on the grounds inventive step. The examiner now believes that the five cited references are category "Y".

To have such a significant change in the examiner's consideration of the same prior art without explanation or apology is unacceptable. Furthermore, it has:-

- (i) denied the applicant the ability to file an Article 19 amendment in response to the ISR;
- (ii) denied the applicant the ability to prepare and file a response to the cited references under Article 34 when filing the Demand; and
- (iii) raised doubts as to the efficiency and effectiveness of search and examination of PCT applications by the Australian patent office.

Yours response is awaited.

Yours faithfully



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